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FBI Reported To the CIA on Demonstration

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The FBI sent the CIA an intelligence report on a peaceful American Indian rally held 10 days ago in Bowling Green, Ky., because some of the demonstrators reportedly carried placards with anti-CIA slogans.

And the bureau sent to the Army in April an intelligence report on an incident occurring on an Indian reservation in Wisconsin, according to FBI documents obtained by The Star.

The transmittal of the report to the CIA appears to go against the FBI's stated policy of disseminating to the intelligence agency only information regarding foreign intelligence and espionage activities...

AND THE WISCONSIN incident report appears to circumvent the policy on the type of material the Army expects from the bureau, according to officials.

Dissemination of these reports comes at a time when the FBI is under congressional scrutiny regarding its spying on Americans over the years and its attempts to disrupt certain groups because of their political or social philosophies.

The reports sent to the CIA gave no indication that any of the, 16 persons attending the hour-long rally were under investigation for foreign espionage activities.

The rally was held June 14 in front of the Federal Building in Bowling Green to protest the trial of four men charged with the slaying of two FBI agents at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota last year according to the

The FBI report, which was sent to the CIA and to federal law enforcement agencies the next day, said the rally was "peaceful" and that the demonstrators marched on the sidewalk hanting, "Stop the trials," and handed out leaflets.

THE DEMONSTRATORS also carried placards "denouncing the FBI and CIA," the report said. No names were contained in the report obtained by The Star. An FBI spokesman denied yesterday that information of a domestic nature

developed by the bureau was being disseminated to the CIA. He said that any information sent to the intelligence agency "would have to fall within its sphere of interest — foreign intelligence and espionage."

Noting the domestic intelligence abuses involving the FBI that emerged during the Senate Intelligence Committee's recently concluded 18-month probe, the spokesman emphasized that "if the information was strictly domestic, at this point in time, no, we would not give it to the CIA."

However, when informed of the Bowling Green report, the spokesman recanted after locating the document in bureau files.

He then said that because "sume inflammatory statements" about the CIA appeared on the placards it was decided to transmit the file "because it may be of value to the CIA. They may have some interest in the group or individuals that we're not aware of."

HE CONTENDED, however, that if the placard had not attacked the CIA the report would not have been sent to the agency. A CIA spokesman queried by The Star yesterday as to what the agency did with the report did not have an immediate response.

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nage operation against numerous domestic political groups.

According to that report, dossiers were created on 13,000 persons and index records on 300,000 individuals and organizations. The report also shows that the CIA maintained files on 57,000 Americans in cases where the agency believed the person to be of 'possibly continuing intelligence interest.'

The Senate Intelligence Committee reported that between 1967 and 1973, the CIA amassed an index file on 300,000 Americans and full dossiers on 7,200 and on more than 100 organiza-

A General Accounting Office report issued in February on the purpose and scope of FBI domestic intelligence operations said that the FBI normally furnishes information to the CIA on any individual who is the subject of a security

investigation and is traveling abroad, except when such travel is a vacation.

THE FBI REPORT sent to the Army in April involved an American Indian who allegedly resisted arrest and threatened to kill a deputy sherrif during a chase on the Menominee Indian reservation in Wisconsin.

However, an Army spokesman explained yesterday that information supplied by the FBI is supposed to bear only on the security of the Army or be related to Army support missions for the Justice Department.

The spokesman added that Army regulations say that if FBI reports have no such bearing the Army must destroy them. Spokesmen declined to comment on the report in question to avoid violating the individual's privacy.

The Senate committee reported that some 1,500

Army intelligence agents were engaged in monitoring and penetrating civilian activities in this country during the height of the anti-Vietnam war movement.

The committee pointed out that while a Defense Department directive now generally limits the military's collection of data about groups and individuals, the directive "permits" the military "to secretly penetrate" civilian groups where approved by the Defense Department.

IN A RELATED MATTER, meanwhile, Sen. James Abourezk, D-S.D., has called "for a thorough investigation" into why a "false report" was circulated by the FBI linking his son to a claimed militant Indian group that allegedly has planned violent activities in South Dakota during the Fourth of July weekend.

The Star reported yesterday that the FBI report. which received wide circulation within the Bureau of Indian, Affairs, said that weapons to be used by a group called the "Dog Soldiers" were being stored at the home of the senator's son, Charles Abourezk, 23, in South Dakota.

The senator has denounced the report as part of a smear campaign waged against him because of his criticism of BIA policies and FBI activities involving American Indians in South Dakota.

BIA officials said yesterday that they had never heard of the Dog Soldiers until they received the FBI report recently. The FBI has declined comment on the investigation of the allegations, which were made by an informant.

Abourezk said yesterday that he spoke to his son, who is active in the Indian movement in South Dakota, and that his son claimed the allegations were untrue.